Head Injury Alert

UConn John Dempsey Hospital has instituted a new trauma activation category. **Head Injury Alert**. The criteria for the Head Injury Alert includes:

- Fall from < 20 feet within the past 24 hours, on anticoagulation or antiplatelet medication*, GCS of 14 – 15 and evidence of isolated head injury.

EMS should use the words “**Head Injury Alert**” in their CMED radio patch when bringing these patients to UConn John Dempsey Hospital.

* Activation is not required for aspirin.
Thank You to Area Responders
Thank you to the Bradley International Airport Fire Department and to all area responders, including CMED, who participated in the fire and EMS response to the mass casualty plane crash at Bradley Field on October 2. We are proud of all of you and glad you out there protecting our communities.

SWORD Reports
Connecticut responders have called in reports on over 2,250 suspected opioid overdoses to the Connecticut Poison Control Center (CPCC) since the program began April 1, 2019 in the North Central region and June 1, 2019 statewide. The descriptions of the scenes and circumstances of the overdoses have been particularly helpful in identifying trends and areas to target resources. Please keep up this important work! Call the CPCC at 1-800-222-1222 to report all suspected opioid overdose calls. Thanks!

18 Minute Door-to-TPA
American Medical Response paramedic Wendall Cote and his partner James Montojo responded for a patient with sudden onset of left sided paralysis and facial droop. They called in a Stroke Alert to UConn John Dempsey Hospital. The patient received tPA within a record 18 minutes of arrival, and then was taken to our hybrid OR where a thrombectomy was performed, restoring blood flow. Great work all!

STEMI Honor Role
American Medical Response paramedic John Racloz and EMT Walter Jablonski. 44 Minute Door-to-Balloon and 59 Minute First Medical Contact

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UConn EMS CONTINUING EDUCATION
October 16, 2019  8:30-11:30 A.M.
Prehospital Care Cardiac Arrest: Past, Present, and Future
Richard Kamin, M.D.
Michael Joseph, M.D.
Peter Canning, Paramedic, R.N.

New Location
Conference Room U3071AB
195 Farmington Avenue, Farmington, CT
3 Hours CME
ALL EMS RESPONDERS WELCOME

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October 16, 2019
November 20, 2019
December 18, 2019
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Coming this Fall
Cardiac Arrest/Special CME
October 16, 2019
195 Farmington Avenue
EMS Evening Stroke Symposium
December 4, 2019
6:00-9:00 P.M.
Location: TBA

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